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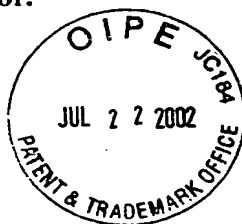
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of:

Wittich KAULE *et al.*

Serial Number: 09/147,398

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Group Art Unit: 3722

Examiner: E. Cadugan

For: METHOD FOR REPRODUCING EMBOSSING PLATES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Honorable Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated January 22, 2002.

A petition for a three-month extension of time together with the appropriate fees accompanies this response so that it is timely filed.

Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 25 and 41, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 3, 24, and 28-33, as indicated by the clean copy of amended claims 1, 3, 24, and 28-33 in Appendix A, attached hereto. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is included in Appendix B, also attached hereto.

Please add new claim 42, as presented in Appendix A, attached hereto.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☒ Also enclosed is/are: APPENDIX A (CLEAN COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS); APPENDIX B (MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS); APPENDIX C (CLEAN COPY OF AMENDED PARAGRAPHS); APPENDIX D (MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDED PARAGRAPHS); THREE-MONTH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; CHECK \$920

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